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Minutes of the DHRC Meeting Held January 10, 2012

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The Delaware Harness Racing Commission met
at 10:15 AM at the Delaware Room, Dover Downs Hotel & Casino,
1131 North DuPont Highway, Dover, Delaware

Commission Members Present

Beth Steele, Chairman	George P. Staats, Commissioner
Robert B. Brown, Commissioner	Larry Talley, Commissioner
Patt Wagner, Commissioner	

Others Present

Andrew Kerber, Deputy Attorney General	Karen Craft, Facilities Manager, HRI
Annie Renzetti, D.M.V.	Charles Lockhart, VP Horse Racing, Dover Downs
John Hensley, Sr. Dir., Horse Racing, D. Downs	Hugh Gallagher, DHRC Administrator of Racing
Salvatore DiMario, Executive Director, DSOA	Brian J. Manges, DHRC Chief Inspector
James Boese, General Manager, HRI	Ed Kee, Secretary of Agriculture
Scott Egger, Presiding Judge	Wayne Truitt, DHRC Paddock Judge
Annie Renzetti, D.V.M.	Stacey Cohee, Deputy Attorney General
B.A. Davis, Office Manager, DHRC Licensing	Judy Davis-Wilson, DSBF
Jim & Lois Dunn	Betty Greco, Dept of Elections
Jean Sillers, Dept of Elections	Aaron McCrae, First Track Entertainment
John McGinnis, CPA	Arty Foster
Eric Foster	Ross Wolfenden
Fred Johnson	Bob Taylor
Richard A. Parks	Matthew Jones
Warren Welch	Lewis McDonald
Russell Foster	Brian Smith
Terri & David Phillips	Joanne Gouse
Wanda Saulsbury	Brewer Adams
Howard Taylor, Esquire	John R. Garey, Esquire
Simon Mumford	Andrew Markano
William F. Moffett, D.V.M.	Kim Vincent
Arty Foster, Jr.	

CALL TO ORDER

At 10:20 AM, Chairman Steele called the public session of the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Vote: Commissioner Robert Breezy Brown moved to approve the December 13, 2011 Minutes. Commissioner George Staats seconded, all Commissioners concurred and the Motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

The orders were signed by all Commissioners awarding racing dates for 2012 to Dover Downs and Harrington Raceway.

NEW BUSINESS

Brewer Adams' application for a DHRC license which was submitted in December was reviewed by the Commission. Hugh Gallagher reports to the Commission there are discrepancies in the application particularly in question 11 regarding suspension of his license. Mr. Adams addressed the commission concerning his application. Howard Taylor spoke as Mr. Adams friend and said he thought Mr. Adams should be granted a license in Delaware. Commissioner Larry Talley made a motion the application of Brewer Adams should be denied which was seconded by Commissioner George Staats with a unanimous vote by the entire Commission. Andrew Kerber will submit a written decision for the Commissioners to sign in due course. (NOTE: See the court reporter's transcript for further details of this hearing.)

1. Reports from Racing Administrator, Racing Officials & Veterinarians

Administrator: Hugh Gallagher reported to the Commissioners - you have the monthly reports in your folders. A Rules Committee meeting took place yesterday, January 9, 2012. The issue on the definition of suspensions will be referred to the March DHRC meeting. Mr. Kerber is looking into minors signing the urine specimen cards.

2. Presiding Judge: Judge Egger stated we will have an appeal outstanding for a positive test and we have another split going out today for a positive test. We also currently have a full suspension on a driver in a race.

3. Chief DHRC Veterinarian: Dr. Annie Renzetti stated everything is fine. You have my current monthly report in your folder.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

ARTY FOSTER APPEAL HEARING

A short recess was taken at 10:45 A.M. The Meeting was reconvened at 11:00 AM to hear the Arty Foster appeal. This hearing was recorded by the court reporter. A break was taken at 12:45 PM. The hearing reconvened at 1:30 PM and was adjourned at 4:00 PM. Stacey Cohee, Deputy Attorney General, presented the case. Mr. Foster was represented by John R. Garey, Esquire, who presented several witnesses to testify on behalf of Mr. Foster. The Commission reserved decision on this appeal to allow the Commissioners an opportunity to review all of the exhibits presented in the case. A special commission meeting will be set at a later date for deliberations and the Commissioners' decision on this appeal. (The entire hearing on the Arty Foster appeal was recorded by the Court Reporter and further detail may be obtained from the transcript.)

UPCOMING EVENTS

- *Regular DHRC Meetings*
February 14, 2012 (second Tuesday) 10:15 AM Chesapeake Room, Dover Downs Hotel & Casino, 1131 North DuPont Highway, Dover, Delaware.
- *Next Rules Committee Meeting*
None at this time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 4:00 PM, meeting adjourned to Executive Session

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